Meenam last, after his training in Bacteriology and Biochemistry;

(b) what sum of money has been realised since then in the shape of fees for examination of specimens of blood, etc., of persons treated or examined privately:

(c) what portion of this amount was credited to Government;

(d) what portion was divided between the Assistant Surgeon in charge of the Laboratory and his Assistants;

(e) whether any and what monthly allowances is being given to the said Assistant Surgeon as compensation for the loss, due to obvious reasons, of his income from private practice?

Dr. D. Rahgavendra Rao.—(a) No statistics are maintained regarding these, since almost all specimens examined in the Laboratory are from the wards of the General Hospital.

(b) No money has been collected.

(c) and (d) Do not arise in view of the answer to (b).

(e) No allowance is given. Government do not guarantee any income to any officer of this department on account of private practice.

Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—Does the Government think that there is necessity for preserving statistics with regard to sputum, blood, etc?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—At present there is not. It is only a clinical laboratory now. When the bacteriological laboratory is opened this will be taken.

Delivery Cases—General Hospital.

619. Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number of delivery cases in the maternity section of the General Hospital, Ernakulam, from 1st Chingam to 30th Makaram 1107;

(2) the number separately of Cochinites and outsiders among those patients; and

(3) the number separately of (1) Christians (2) Caste-Hindus, (3) Non-caste Hindus exclusive of Depressed class people, (4) Depressed class people (5) Muslims and (6) Jews?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—(1) 209.

(2)	Cochinites	178
	Outsiders	31
(3)	Christians	127
	Hindus	72
	Muslims	3
	Jews	7

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No separate column has been provided for non-caste Hindus and Depressed class people in the register.

Mr. K. Ayyappan. –May I know whether the Government will provide new cloumns for Depressed Classes and non-caste Hindus?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—No necessity has been brought out to provide separate columns for them.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is there any necessity for giving separate columns for the castes already given here?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is on a religious basis and castes have to be separately classified in the Hindu religion.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is there any necessity for the classification.

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Yes, for statistical purposes —to know which religious people attend most.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is it not necessary to take statistics on the basis of caste?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is not necessary.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Why it is not necessary?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is not necessary. That is all.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is there any necessity for the other castes?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is just to find out the religious statistics.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—What is the use of statistics?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is to come to certain decisions or findings on certain objections.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is it not necessary to take statistics on the basis of caste also?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is not necessary.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Why is it necessary on the basis of religion ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—I have nothing more to say.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—May I know whether there is any difficulty to open new columns on the basis of caste?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—There is no difficulty except that we will have to maintain any number of registers—I mean columns.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—How many castes are there to be included communally?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—I have not yet taken the statistics of the number of castes.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Have you any idea of it?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—There are scores.

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